



Security Council Arria-Formula Meeting

14 October 2016, ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ

“Illegal Israeli Settlements: Obstacles to Peace and the Two-State Solution”

Co-chairs: Malaysia, Egypt, Senegal, Angola, and Venezuela

AGENDA

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| 10.00 – 10.05 am | - | Opening Remarks |
| 10.05 – 10.50 am | - | Presentations: |
| | i) | Mr. Lior Amihai
Peace Now |
| | ii) | Mr. Hagai El-Ad
B'Tselem |
| | iii) | Prof. François Dubuisson
Université Libre de Bruxelles |
| 10.50 – 12.15 am | - | Intervention/Questions from UN Security Council Members |
| 12.15 – 12.55 pm | - | Responses by Speakers |
| 12.55 – 1.00 pm | - | Closing Remarks |

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Mr. Lior Amihai heads the Settlement Watch team for the Israeli Peace Now Movement (Shalom Achshav/שלום עכשיו) since October 2016, and has been part of the team since 2011. Settlement Watch is internationally acclaimed for its credibility and reliability in its work to comprehensively monitor the expansion of Israeli settlements and related developments in the West Bank and East Jerusalem, and is regularly cited by Israeli and international media, governments and NGOs. Amihai recently completed an M.A. in Human Rights at University College London, after being awarded the British Government's Chevening Scholarship. He completed his B.Sc. at City University London, as a participant in the Olive Tree Scholarship Programme.

Mr. Hagai El-Ad, an Israeli human rights activist, is the Executive Director of B'Tselem בתצלם. In 2014, he ended a six-year term as Director of the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI). Prior to that, El-Ad served (2000–2006) as the first Executive Director of the Jerusalem Open House for Pride and Tolerance. Born in Haifa, El-Ad completed his B.Sc. and M.Sc. (Astrophysics) at the Hebrew University; he was a pre-doctoral fellow at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics in Cambridge (1997–2000). In 2014, El-Ad was named among Foreign Policy magazine's "100 Leading Global Thinkers". He lives in Jerusalem.

Professor François Dubuisson is Professor at the Université Libre de Bruxelles, a researcher at the International Law Centre, and Chairman of the Francophone Network of International Law (RFDI). He is author of various articles published in national and international journals. Mr. Dubuisson provided legal counsel to Palestine in the case concerning the Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall in the Occupied Palestinian before the International Court of Justice. Mr. Dubuisson has a law degree (1992), special degree in International Law (1994) and Doctorate of Law (2005) from the Université Libre de Bruxelles.